

State Capitol | Lansing, Michigan 48913 PH (517) 373.2420 | FAX (517) 373.2764 www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/senator/garcia/

For Immediate Release June 11, 2004

## **Governor Signs SB 109**

Contact: Karen Szczepanski

517-373-2420

Office of Spanish-Speaking Affairs now housed in Department of Labor and Economic Growth

Lansing – The Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs and the Office of Spanish-Speaking Affairs have moved to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth as part of state government restructuring efforts. The legislation (Senate Bill 109) offered by Sen. Valde Garcia, R-Howell, was signed by the Governor last week.

The Commission was created in 1975 to develop policies and plans to serve the needs of Michigan's Spanish-speaking people. Though the Office and Commission have undergone several departmental transfers over the last few years, the law has not been changed.

SB 109, after being signed by the governor, is now Public Act 94 of 2004.

###